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SUBJECT: DISCUSSION WITH VATICAN ON LEBANESE CRISIS

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1. INFORMATION CONTAINED REFTEL WAS CONVEYED JANUARY 13 TO MONSIGNOR MONTERISI, VATICAN'S MIDDLE EAST "DESK OFFICER".
2. MONTERISI LISTENED ATTENTIVELY, ASKED A FEW QUESTIONS FOR CLARIFICATION, SAID HE WOULD CONVEY US VIEWS (WHICH WE LEFT WITH HIM AS TALKING POINTS PAPER) PROMPTLY TO ARCHBISHOP CASAROLI (WHO HAD BEEN OCCUPIED WITH ANOTHER VISITOR).
3. MONTERISI SAID VATICAN IS GRATIFIED WITH US EFFORTS VIS-A-VIS LEBANON, ADDING THAT CASAROLI ATTACHES GREAT IMPORTANCE TO KNOWING USG VIEWS PROMPTLY AND PRECISELY.
4. WE ASKED MONTERISI IF HE HAD A LATE ASSESSMENT OF CHRISTIAN ATTITUDES IN LEBANON BUT HIS REPOSSES ADDED NOTHING TO WHAT IS ALREADY KNOWN. VOLPE

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